

STAMPEDE FOR CHURCHILL

New Camp Discovered Within Fifty Miles of Carson City

The latest mining excitement to be sprung upon the public is the discovery of rich ore at Cooney's Springs, about twelve miles from Churchill and twenty-six miles from Mound House.

The news of the new strike leaked out Monday night and in a few moments many men were on their way to the new find. Arrivals last evening state that both Dayton and Churchill are deserted, and every available rig and horse in Virginia City was rented yesterday to those who were anxious to be on the ground floor. Rigs in Dayton and Virginia were taken at any price, \$12 a day for a saddle horse being paid by one mining man who wanted to get in on the ground floor.

A number of Carsonites have gone to the scene and several more departed last evening, one party going via auto.

Last night's Virginia Chronicle contains the following concerning the new district, which is claimed to rival any in the southern country:

The forecast made in the Chronicle several weeks ago that valuable ore discoveries would be made at no distant date in the range of hills marking the northern border of Seventeen-mile desert, is in a fair way of being verified. The prediction made at that time was based upon the display of ore samples found but nine miles northeast of the Comstock.

The recent ore find carrying sensational gold values by Goldfield prospectors near Cooney's wood ranch, sixteen miles northeast of the Comstock, will doubtless lead to numerous other important discoveries as the entire range of hills mentioned for 25 miles to the eastward of this city are highly mineralized, carrying almost every variety of metal known to geologists.

The veins are well defined with porphyry, clay and cyanite contacts, requiring only capital for the development of important ore bodies and now that the region described is being invaded by experienced prospectors, there is little doubt that a mining excitement overshadowing that in Southern Nevada—based on merit—is at hand in that region.

A stampede for Cooney's ranch is on from Dayton and several rigs left here this morning for that destination.

Flowery, Badger, Desert and Siegel districts are all in the same range of hills and the mineralized territory included in these contains an area surpassing in extent that of the Transvaal in South Africa, with the advantage that there are numerous springs and water courses in the ravines, while the Carson river is only three miles to the southward, the flow of which is ample for generating any amount of electric power for mine and mill plants, while the topography of the intervening land is admirably adapted for the construction of railroad branches to connect with the Nevada and California, formerly known as the C. & C., on the opposite side of the river. Two prominent citizens left this morning with a civil engineer to locate and survey a townsite and water rights. The locality of the find is a short distance west of Siegel district.

The Rush Is On

VIRGINIA CITY, April 10.—Everybody who can obtain a rig of any description and at any price has left for the new strike at Cooney's Springs, twelve miles from Churchill station. Many are leaving this city hourly on foot with their blankets and a few provisions, and the old camp is beginning to look depopulated.

Little news concerning the new strike has been received in this city except that the original strike was made by Ramsey brothers of Tonopah, who immediately notified their friends throughout the southern section, and many people from Tonopah are on the ground. At least fifty miners from that district are outfitting in this city and word from Dayton says that from thirty to forty prospectors, mostly from Tonopah and Goldfield have outfitted there in the past few days and that prices have gone way up on every necessary article in that town.

There is practically no wood in the vicinity of the new camp, but water is found in plenty. A general storm has swept over that section during the past two days, and of those who started out on foot, many have returned to this city, owing to the storm and the fact that there are yet no accommodations to be had.

Anyone leaving for the new camp

should be well supplied with blankets and a tent and plenty of provisions, as the nights are cold and the ground reeking with moisture.

The Motor Skate

Alphonse Constantini is the inventor of the first motor skate which was exhibited in the last Paris Salon. Each roller skate fitted with a 1 1/2 h. p. motor, air cooled. The gasoline tank which holds three-quarters of an inch of fuel, is carried on a girdle around the waist of the motor skater. This amount of gasoline, it is said, allows the distance of 75 kilometers to be covered. The little tank also carries attached to it the coil, the accumulator and the levers for controlling the speed of the engines.

Holding the throttle lever in his right hand, and having closed the battery circuit, the motor skater merely pushes off one foot as an ordinary skater does, and as soon as he hears an explosion he starts the second foot off in the same way. Constantini says he can attain a speed of forty miles an hour, and, encouraged by his first success he is building skates of less power in order to popularize the new sport. The inventor is all right, but this is only a personal suggestion—suppose for some reason or another one of the engines should stop. Can you imagine the roller skater on one leg, the other off the ground with a dead motor hanging to his sole.—Motor.

Will Leave This Morning

A party consisting of V. B. Cross, Will Elliott, George Brown and John Ralkey will leave for the scene of the new strike near Churchill Station this morning. They have secured a fine outfit and intend to thoroughly prospect in the vicinity of the new strike.

Located in Frisco

Warren Keith, formerly of this city is now employed in the circulation department of the San Francisco Bulletin.

Will Smyth and Tom Easton were departures for the new find near Churchill last evening.

Hank Cassidy, a well known resident of Eureka fell from a wagon near Duckwater last week and was crushed to death beneath the wheels.

Frank Jenkins, a former newspaper man has bought the Reno Federationist, a paper being published by R. R. Crawford and will change it to the Monday Call.

The fight against a recount of the ballots by which McClellan was elected mayor of New York proves conclusively that he knows he was defeated. The people who want municipal ownership in Chicago are asking for a recount because of gross frauds. They can't get it. The people who juggle ballot boxes generally have the proper pull.

An Efficient Official

Although District Attorney Roberts was not supported by the Appeal at the last election, this journal feels it its duty to compliment the stand taken by that official in the veto of the bill for desks for the new school building. He believed that there was collusion in the original contract, but there was no proof of this. He saw enough to satisfy him that the matter would bear watching and accordingly after the school board had allowed the bill he noticed that the San Francisco firm had charged the freight up to the county when their agreement was to deliver the goods freight paid.

On these grounds he vetoed that portion of the bill and as a result the matter was finally referred to a board of arbitration consisting of James Woodbury, George Meyers and E. D. Kelly. They made a searching investigation of the whole matter and found that the freight bill was charged at \$1.55 per one hundred, when, as a matter of fact, the rate on carload lots over the V. & T. and Southern Pacific was \$1.02, making a nice little difference of fifty-three cents per hundred pounds on ten tons of freight.

The school board not only allowed the California desk company the freight bill after the desk people had agreed to pay it themselves, but allowed a freight bill which was padded to the extent of \$160.

Now the question naturally arises who padded that freight bill?

Next, Who was to get the rake-off?

It lies between the desk men, the Southern Pacific railroad company, the V. & T. Co., or the present school board, and explanations are in order.

Got to Jim

Yesterday Attorney General Sweeney was out with his powerful auto and had to put up for repairs at a wayside hostelry. He kept his machine in the barn for several hours and when he was ready to go carelessly asked for his bill.

"How many horse power did you say that machine is?"

"Forty," said Jim.

"Ten dollars; I charge two bits a head for each horse here."

Laid to Rest at Reno

The funeral of Miss Ethel Rulison took place in Reno yesterday. A number of Carsonites went to Reno to attend the last sad rites over the popular young lady.

Ore Shipments

The ore shipments via the Tonopah railroad for the week ending yesterday were as follows: Tonopah Mining Company, 1540 tons; Montana, 90 tons; Tonopah Extension, 470 tons; Belmont, 410 tons; Midway, 100 tons; North Star, 30 tons; Jim Butler, 25 tons; West End, 54 tons.

Moved the Armory

The State has had a force of men at work for the past week overhauling the old pavilion. They have moved the State armory there and have everything fitted up in a ship shape manner. The building has been repainted, new panes of glass have been put in and the building presents a fine appearance.

Larger Appropriation

The news that the appropriation for the government building to be erected in Reno has been increased from \$45,000 to \$97,000 will be received with pleasure by the people of Reno and the whole State. The original appropriation was entirely too small.

Held Without Bail

Walter C. Barleau, the slayer of Sheriff Logan has been held on a charge of murder to await the action of the grand jury. He was refused bail. He entered a plea of not guilty and claims he will establish an alibi so strong that he will be acquitted by the grand jury when they meet.

Sick in Frisco

Word was received from San Francisco yesterday that Frank Evans and wife had arrived there and that Frank would enter a hospital where he will be operated on for appendicitis. Frank has been under the weather for some time, and the doctors have advised him to enter the hospital.

Citizens Donate

The business men and citizens of Carson City put up about \$40 for the erection of a backstop for the baseball field and the boys are duly grateful, taking this means of expressing their thanks to those who so liberally responded.

Fell to Death in Shaft

Benjamin Stevenson, a cage tender at the Belmont mine in Tonopah met a horrible death Monday by falling from the 700-foot level to the bottom of the shaft. His body was mangled beyond recognition.

Cases Appeared

Attorney Boyd appeared from Reno yesterday on business connected with the Montezuma mining company's case, which was appealed from Washoe county.

A Broken Rib

G. W. Jones, familiarly known as "Shorty," brakeman on the V. & T. yards, is laying off on account of a broken rib sustained last Thursday.

Attended Funeral

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Regan went to Virginia City yesterday morning to attend the funeral of the late Dan Desmond.

Reno Contractor Here

A. F. Medt, the cement walk builder of Reno, spent yesterday in this city. He is present to bid on the work at the new school building.

Declared Dividend

The Tonopah Mining Company has declared a quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share.

Very Ill

Mrs. John Catton is very ill at her home in the Southern section.

Edwin and Dewey Cushing are visiting friends in Reno.

Mrs. Tremore Coffin has returned from a visit to the coast.

A shortage of 40,000,000 pounds of wool is reported in last year's crop.

J. H. Jones has received the appointment of postmaster at Elko yesterday. Congressman Van Duzer has appointed H. L. Jones '06 of the university a naval cadet.

Sam Cohn and son arrived from Columbia Sunday and are now rusticating at Walley Springs.

A contract has been let for the erection of a \$10,000 school house at Fallon, Churchill county.

Miss Bessie Platt was a departure for San Francisco last evening where she goes to attend the opera.

L. D. Gordon has sold a group of mining claims on Round Mountain in Goldfield district for \$250,000.

Superintendent F. B. Livingston of the Mammoth mine is stopping at the Briggs. He says the property is looking fine.

It's a cold day for the miner of Nevada when there isn't a new strike made which starts a new town. This will be a banner year for the pick and drill brigade in the upbuilding of the state.

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